Act No. 107 (H.676). Conservation and land development; municipal government; flood regulation

An act relating to regulation of land uses within flood hazard areas

This act amends a recent statute that directed the Secretary of Natural Resources to adopt rules establishing permitting requirements for land uses that are exempt from municipal regulation and are located within a flood hazard area.

The act requires these rules must also apply to: (a) land uses that are exempt from municipal regulation and are located within a river corridor and (b) all state-owned and -operated institutions and facilities located in flood hazard areas and river corridor. These land uses must obtain a permit before construction begins within a flood hazard area or river corridor.

The act also allows municipalities to apply flood hazard and river corridor regulation to certain land uses, such as hospitals and waste management facilities, that are otherwise subject only to limited municipal regulation.

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